



Southern Oregon Decorative Artists

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Club Newsletter

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President's Message

Hello and Happy Summer (already)!

We're starting off with a bang-up of a summer. Can't believe I was complaining about the rain and cold only a month ago. Now we're looking forward to a hot summer and more great classes with Jamie Mills-Price and Dottie Bishop.

A huge thank you to all our Bunco party favor painters! We now have all the boxes out for painting and over half have been returned. Thank you so much for all of your talent and hard work. Keep those door prizes coming in and don't forget about our raffle prize making party in early September. If you need any help with ideas for completing your raffle prize or adding a little something to your basket, the basket making party is where you need to be.

All the Bunco party tickets have been sold. I just put the last of the tickets into the mail and we're on our way to another great party in September!

My deepest gratitude to all of you!

Judi



July Project

Saturday, July 25 - Jamie Mills-Price will be teaching this delightful "Gingerbread Tea Party" project.

The line drawing and prep instructions can be found on the Members Only page of the website.

Julie is working with Pine Craft to obtain surfaces for those who wish to purchase a surface. More info will be coming about the surfaces soon.

We always have such a fun time painting with Jamie! She is a great teacher and a wonderful person. You won't want to miss this opportunity to paint with her!



DID YOU KNOW?

Hummingbird feathers don't contain any pigment for their brilliant colors! They use microscopic structures that bend light like tiny prisms – they're wearing natural rainbow armor!

Happy are the painters for they shall not be lonely. Light, color, peace and hope will keep them company to the end, or almost the end, of the day.

Winston Churchill

Color Mixing Tips from Lisbeth Stull

Color mixing is one of those skills that feels complicated until it clicks, and then it simplifies everything. Here are the three principles I teach first:

Any color + white = a tint. This is how you soften and lighten without losing the hue.

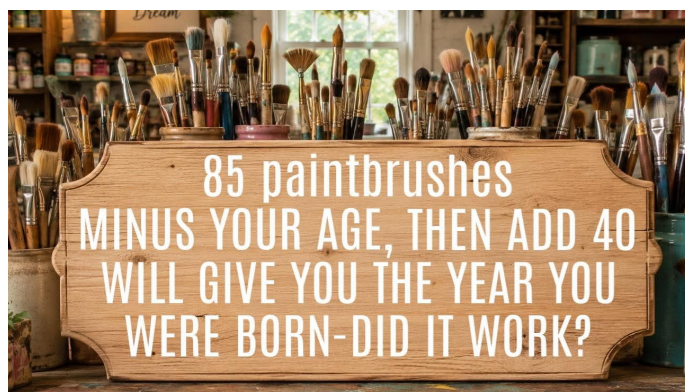
Any color + its complement = a natural shadow tone. A touch of red-orange into green gives you a shadow that reads as natural, not muddy.

Two colors that sit next to each other on the color wheel = built-in harmony. They blend and layer without fighting.

Start there. Those three principles will carry you through most of what you'll encounter in a project.

**ALL COLORS ARE
FRIENDS TO THIER
NEIGHBORS AND
LOVERS TO THEIR
OPPOSITES.**

Marc Chagall, Artist





Hi Ladies,

Why is it that January and February felt like 60 days each and now all of a sudden the time is speeding up? I looked at the calendar today and we have 14 weeks until the Raffle Basket Making party on September 10. The party will be at the clubhouse where Julie lives. The map and driving instructions will be posted soon.

If you have spare baskets please bring them with you or give them to me at a meeting before the party. We will as usual have makings for the baskets such as fluff, wrapping material and ribbon available if you need it. The baskets last year were probably the best ever and made for great raffle ticket sales.

We are doing great with the door prizes and the boxes for the party favors are trickling in. The June club meeting is the deadline to turn in all of the party favor boxes.

This year we will again have a drawing for some beautiful "big brush" painted items. All you need to do for a chance to be in on this drawing is participate in the Bunco party by turning in the requested painted items, bringing snacks (if you are signed up for that you will be hearing from Cindy), helping at the basket party, helping set up the day before the party AND showing up to help on the day of the Bunco party. It takes all of us to pull this off.

Remember, you can also sell some of your painted items on the sales tables. The club gets 10% of all sales, and you must have price tags on the items you wish to sell, and you must also be present at the Bunco party.

Okay, off my soapbox...Have you checked out the website Artroom2create.com yet? There are some great webinars being offered and quite a variety of styles, mediums and teachers. They are also recorded so you can go back and watch again later. I have taken two webinars with Paulette DiGesare and they were only \$35 each. Check it out!

See you soon!

Kathy



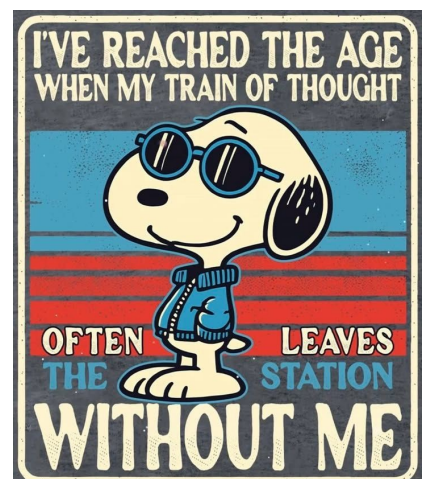
August

Jeanie

Raine



"The repository of creative supply accumulation and investment" sounds much more impressive than "craft stash."



April and May Seminars

We were fortunate to have two wonderful seminar teachers this year. Karen Brouwer taught a one-day seminar in April and in May Shannon Miller was here for a two-day class.

Karen was here all the way from Australia to teach at the Portland convention, and while in the Rogue Valley was staying with her friend and our club member Judy Goldstein.

She offered to teach a class for us while here and we took her up on her generous offer, and we're so happy we did!

Shannon was here for a two-day seminar in May and also stayed with her friend Judy G. Both were wonderful teachers who demonstrated and explained their techniques so well. The classes were enjoyed by everyone, and we hope to have Karen back for another one day class next year.



Julie was the happy winner of Karen's painted apron!



Day 2 of Shannon's seminar

Stencil Cleaning Tip

Got dirty stencils? Put them in a pan and cover them with hand sanitizer. Let it sit a little while and then use your hands to gently clean the paint off the stencil. The hand sanitizer will even penetrate heavily painted stencils. If really dirty, cover the pan with plastic wrap and let the stencils soak for a few hours.





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Southern Oregon Decorative Artists Meeting Location - Live Oak Grange

120 Gardiner St., Rogue River, Oregon

The Live Oak Grange is at the northeast corner of Gardiner & Arbor Streets with parking available on both streets.

We hope to see you there!